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SUBJECT: 1978 SUMMER ECOSOC--AGENDA ITEM 18; ILLICIT PAYMENTS

REF: (A) GENEVA 11453 (B) STATE 1888861

1. ECOMIN CALLED ON COUNSELOR SANTORO DIRECTOR OF OFFICE
VIII (MULTILATERAL ECONOMIC AFFAIRS) IN FORIEING
MINISTRY, ON JULY 27 TO URGE GOI TO AGREETO
SETTING FIRM DATE FOR CONFERNCE TO CONCLUDE AGREEMENT
ON ILLICIT PAYMENTS. SANTORO WAS NOT RESPOND TO
ECOMIN'S COMMENTS ABOUT PROGRESS MADE IN WORKING GROUP.
RATHER, HEASSERTED THAT GOIN CONTINUED TO BE FULLY
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SUPPORTIVE OF EFFORTS TO CONCLUDE AGREEMEN AND THAT IT
DID NOT HAVE A "STRONG POSITION" ON DATE FORCONFERENCE.

HE NOTED "SERIOUS" JURIDICIAL DIFFERENCES BETWEEN U.S.
AND CERTAIN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, INCLUDING ITALY AND
FRANCE, BUT HE DID NOT CONSIDER THESE INSURMOUNTABLE.
BY THE SAME TOKEN, HE NOTED ABSENCE OF STRONG PRESSURES

AGAINST CONCLUSION OF AGREEMENT FROM ITALY AND NON-
GOVERNMENTAL SOURCES.

2. IN CONCLUSION, SANTORO BELIEVED THAT ITALY WAS NOT
PLAYING A LEADING ROLE IN ESTABLISHING EC CONSENSUS OR
POSITION ISSUE OF DATE FOR DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE.
HE PROMISED TO TELEPHONE ITALIAN DELEGATION IN GENEVA
(MINISTER ROSSI)
SO THAT HE COULD CHECK ON DEVELOPMENTS AND TRANSMIT
EMBASSY REPRESENTATIONS.

3. EMBASSY'S IMPRESSION IS THAT ITALIAN ECOSOC DELE-
GATION HAS RELATIVELY BROAD MANDATE AND THAT U.S.
DELEGATION WOULD DO WELL TO MAKE STRONG REPRESENTATIONS
TO IT. GARDNER

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